

The Messiah

[Handel]



"Glory to God, in the highest
peace on earth,
good will toward men."

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Salt Lake Tabernacle
January first, Nineteen hundred twenty-three
At four-thirty in the afternoon

PROGRAMME

The Prophecy

No. 1—OVERTURE

No. 2—RECIT. *Accompanied*—(TENOR)

Comfort ye, comfort ye, My people, saith your God; speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem; and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned.

The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord: make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

ARIA (EVERY VALLEY)

Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill laid low, the crooked straight and the rough places plain.

No. 3—CHORUS

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

No. 4—RECIT. *Accompanied*—(BASS)

Thus said the Lord of Hosts: Yet once a little while and I will shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all nations; and the desire of all nations shall come.

The Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to His temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in; behold He shall come, saith the Lord of Hosts.

ARIA

But who may abide the day of his coming and who shall stand when he appeareth for he is like a refiner's fire.

No. 5—RECIT. (ALTO)

Behold! a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call His name EMMANUEL, God with us.

No. 6—AIR (ALTO)

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain: O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

No. 7—RECIT. (BASS)

For behold darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the people, but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his Glory shall be seen upon thee, and the Gentile shall come to thy light and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

No. 8—AIR (BASS)

The people that walked in darkness hath seen a great light, and they that dwell in the land of the Shadow of Death upon them has the light shined.

The Fulfilment

No. 9—PASTORAL SYMPHONY

(LARGHETTO ON THE TRADITIONAL AIR OF THE CALABRAIN PIFFERARI)

No. 10—RECIT. (SOPRANO)

There were shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night.

RECIT. *Accompanied*—(SOPRANO)

And the Angel said unto them, Fear not; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which will be to all people; for unto you is born this day in the City of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

No. 11—RECIT. *Accompanied* (SOPRANO)

And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God, and saying:

No. 12—CHORUS

Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, good will towards men.

No. 13—AIR (SOPRANO)

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, thy King cometh unto thee!

He is the righteous Saviour, and He shall speak peace unto the heathen.

No. 14—RECIT. (ALTO)

Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap as a hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing.

No. 15—AIR (ALTO)

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: and He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

AIR (SOPRANO)

Come unto Him, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and He will give you rest. Take His yoke upon you, and learn of Him, for He is meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

No. 16—CHORUS

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

OH, COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

(The audience participating)

Come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
Come ye, come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels:
Oh, come, let us adore Him, Oh, come, let us adore Him,
Oh, come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

The Passion

No. 17—AIR (ALTO)

He was despised and rejected of men; a
man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.

No. 18—CHORUS

Surely He hath borne our griefs, and
carried our sorrows! He was wounded for
our transgression; He was bruised for our
iniquities; the chastisement of our peace
was upon Him.

No. 19—RECIT. *Accompanied* (TENOR)

Thy rebuke hath broken His heart; He
is full of heaviness. He looked for some to
have pity on Him, but there was no man,
neither found He any to comfort Him.

No. 20—AIR (TENOR)

Behold, and see if there be any sorrow
like unto His sorrow.

Glorification

No. 21—CHORUS

Lift up your heads, O ye Gates,
And be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors,
And the King of Glory shall come in.

No. 22—AIR (BASS)

Why do the nations so furiously rage to-
gether and why do the people imagine a
vain thing?

The kings of the earth rise up, and the
rulers take counsel together against the
Lord, and against His Anointed.

No. 23—CHORUS

HALLELUJAH: For the Lord God Omnip-
otent reigneth.

The kingdom of this world is become the
kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ;
and He shall reign for ever and ever.

KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

HALLELUJAH!

The Resurrection

No. 24—AIR (SOPRANO)

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that
He shall stand at the latter day upon the
earth; and though worms destroy this body,
yet in my flesh shall I see God.

For now is Christ risen from the dead,
the first-fruits of them that sleep.

No. 25—SOLO (BASS)

The trumpet shall sound and the dead
shall be raised incorruptible.

No. 26—CHORUS

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and
hath redeemed us to God by His blood, to
receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and
strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.

Blessing and honor, glory and power, be
unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and
unto the Lamb, for ever and ever, AMEN.

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*The audience is cordially requested to rise at the HALLELUJAH, and to remain attentive
during the final AMEN*

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